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THE WATER SUPPLIES OF SHIPS.

WATER FOR DRINKING AND COOKING PURPOSES FURNISHED INTERSTATE VESSELS.

[Amendment to Interstate Quarantine Regulations. No. 7.]

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, June 4, 1914.

To medical officers of the Public Health Service, State and local health authorities, and others concerned:

The following amendment is hereby made to the interstate quarantine regulations promulgated by this department September 27, 1894, and amended August 17, 1905, June 24, 1909, May 15, 1912, October 30, 1912, December 9, 1912, and January 25, 1913, said amendment and regulations being in accordance with section 3, act of Congress approved February 15, 1893.

Article 3, General Regulations, is hereby amended by the addition of the following paragraph:

Paragraph 16.—No person undertaking to furnish water for drinking or cooking purposes to any vessel in any harbor of the United States, intending to clear for some port within some other State or Territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, shall furnish for such purposes water taken from the waters of such harbor, or from any other place where it has been or may have been contaminated by sewer discharges. Any person violating this regulation will be liable to a penalty of not more than five hundred dollars, or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both, at the discretion of the United States District Court.

W. G. McADOO, *Secretary.*

MINNESOTA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

REORGANIZATION WITH REARRANGEMENT OF THE DIVISIONS AND THEIR WORK.

Much of the efficiency of a department of health depends upon its organization. Proper organization facilitates the smooth running of the administrative machinery by the grouping together of related work, the removal of friction between bureaus and divisions, and the avoidance of duplication.